

50. Apparatus of Claim 46, wherein said ~~latching element defines~~ a first latching element, and wherein said engagement apparatus ~~further comprises~~ a second latching element movable between an outward position and an inward position nearer said central axis.

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~~51.~~ Apparatus of Claim ~~50~~, wherein said biasing means includes, at least, a unitary member contacting both said first latching element and said second latching element.

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~~52.~~ Apparatus of Claim ~~50~~, wherein said biasing means includes, at least, means for constricting around both said first latching element and said second latching element to bias said first latching element and said second latching element toward said central axis.

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~~53.~~ Apparatus of Claim 46, wherein said ~~latching element is spherical~~, and wherein said biasing means includes, at least,
an inner cylindrical member defining an aperture for retaining said latching element,
an inclined member rigidly connected to said entry element at a position located between said inner cylindrical member and said entry element, and
a spring means for axially biasing said inner cylindrical member with respect to said entry element.

REMARKS

Applicant submits that the now pending claims 1 - 53 clearly point out the present invention and distinguish the present invention over all known art. Favorable consideration and allowance of the present application is hereby courteously requested.

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